COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF LOUISVILLE GAS AND ELECTRIC)
COMPANY FOR CERTIFICATES OF CONVENIENCE AND) CASE NO.
NECESSITY FOR FRANCHISES IN CERTAIN CITIES) 9254
IN ITS SERVICE AREA

ORDER

On January 7, 1985, Louisville Gas and Electric Company ("LG&E") filed with the Commission its Application seeking a certificate of convenience and necessity to qualify it to bid on gas and electric franchises in the cities of Coldstream, Springvalley, Wildwood and Lyndon, Kentucky. Under the provisions of KRS 278.020(3), no utility may apply for a franchise from any governmental agency until it has obtained a certificate of convenience and necessity from this Commission based on our finding that there is a need and demand for the services sought to be rendered.

The Commission finds that there is a need and demand for and electric service cities of ín the Coldstream. Springvalley, Wildwood and Lyndon, Kentucky. Commission's authority in such matters is limited by statute to finding only whether there is a need and demand for the services sought to be rendered, no finding or determination is made as to the validity of any of the provisions of the franchises offered by said cities or the manner in which any franchise fee is to be treated for rate purposes.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that LG&E be and it hereby is granted a certificate of convenience and necessity which authorizes it to bid on gas and electric franchises in the cities of Coldstream, Springvalley, Wildwood and Lyndon, Kentucky.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that LG&E, if it becomes the successful bidder, shall file with this Commission copies of the said franchises.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order shall not be construed as granting a certificate of convenience and necessity to construct utility facilities in said cities.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 14th day of January, 1985.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Vice Chairman

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ATTEST:

Secretary